

## BUSINESS NOTES AND TRADE NEWS

Spring Carpet Lines Show  
Price Advances of 10 P. C.  
in Smith List.

**Alexander Smith & Sons Carpet Company** issued yesterday a revised price list of their spring lines of carpets and rugs, disclosing an average advance over the opening prices on October 9 of 10 per cent. The new prices go into effect on November 1 and are subject to advance without notice. The increased cost of wool, dye, cotton and other components of rugs and carpets necessitated the latest advance by the leading producers.

### Fur Trimmed Garments.

There is an increased demand for fur trimmed garments. Sales totals so far this season are larger in volume than last year. Buyers continue to show preference for the longer styles. Hasidic furs are still in great demand. Trimmed on dress coats, while there is a good demand for raccoon trimmed sport coats. The long-haired furs which are desired by most retailers include wolf, squirrel and kid foxes.

### Less Wool Consumed.

The total quantity of wool used by manufacturers in this country in September, as reported by 610 manufacturers to the Department of Commerce, amounted to 46,777,244 pounds compared with 45,128,751 pounds in August, 1922, and 45,426,600 pounds in September, 1921. Reduced to a degree equivalent the September total amounted to 44,770,612 pounds, against a decrease equivalent of 57,329,994 pounds in August, 1922, and 48,824,000 pounds in September of last year. Of the amount used by American manufacturers a September 33.6 per cent. was of domestic origin, while 41.4 per cent. was foreign wool.

### Neckwear Prize Winners.

The Associated Men's Neckwear Industries has awarded prizes offered during Neckwear Week in September. The first prize for window display was won by Carl V. Ahiroth of the Union Company of Columbus, Ohio. The second prize to Mr. Shadrack of the A. E. Starr Co. of Zanesville, O. The first prize for the best suggestion on how to sell cut silk neckwear was awarded to Florence C. Sorengey of McGraw & Frank of San Francisco, and the second prize was won by H. M. Whitehead of Hall's Stores of Knox-

### Good Dry Goods Business.

John V. Farwell Company of Chicago report that the wholesale dry goods business for October shows a gain over the corresponding month of last year in collections and the number of buyers in the hands of retailers are reduced. The demand for men's wear and other knit goods lines immediately upon the change to colder weather. Mills' stocks of seasonal underwear are depleted and desirable numbers will be scarcer during the balance of the season.

### Cuts Prices to Induce Buying.

Although advances of 5 to about 15 per cent. have been made during the last few days, the leaders of Chancery have reduced several numbers and pillow cases and tubings in some instances 10 to 24 per cent. These prices do not reflect the market but are intended to attract buyers to place orders for their needs for January sales.

### EQUIPMENT TRUSTS.

The following are quoted on a percentage basis:

Maturity Rate Bid Asked  
Atlantic Coast... 1922-33 6.50 6.50  
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Baltimore & Ohio... 1922-33 6.50 6.50  
Baltimore & Ohio... 1923-37 4.50 5.35  
Bethlehem Steel... 1923-30 7.00 6.50  
Buc Rock & Pipe... 1922-33 4.50-5.00  
Canadian Pacific... 1922-33 4.50 5.00  
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Chesapeake Ohio... 1922-33 6.00 6.00  
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